

**From:** [Ariana Gomez](#)  
**To:** ["Ari Simon"](#)  
**Cc:** [Rena Leddy](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Santee Winter Wonderland Dec. 10 Street Closure Fee  
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Thanks Ari!

**From:** Ari Simon [mailto:ari.simon@lacity.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, December 02, 2016 9:26 AM  
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Bummer. I'll check in with DOT today.

- Ari

On Thu, Dec 1, 2016 at 8:05 PM, Ariana Gomez <[ariana@fashiondistrict.org](mailto:ariana@fashiondistrict.org)> wrote:

Hi Ari,

Thank you again for all your help with our Santee Winter Wonderland event. We really appreciate it! We'd like to recognize the Councilmember's support in our marketing. I know there are very specific rules he has to abide by, but we'd like to include CD14 somehow. Please let us know.

On a slightly less positive note...

We actually received our invoice for the Dec. 10 street closure today and LADOT is now charging us double for traffic control.

I spoke with Sergeant Meza this morning who was returning my phone call from a couple weeks ago. I informed him the Dec. 3 date had been cancelled but we would still be doing the Dec. 10 and 17 dates. During the conversation, he said the fees should be the same for all events.

Later in the day we received the invoice, which shows DOT Traffic quoted as \$3,473. The Dec. 3 invoice had it at \$1,715. We are now being asked to pay \$4,137.64 total, for the Dec. 10 street closure permit. According to Meza this would cover 2 traffic controllers and a supervisor. However, I'm pretty sure we were told the fee from the Dec. 3 event invoice covered the same staff.

I walked Meza through our entire ordeal and he said he would take to Perry who submitted the quoted fee and see what he could do. He could not tell me why the fee had doubled. He also claimed to not remember our phone conversation earlier in the day. He was supposed to call me back. I will be following up with him first thing tomorrow morning.

We're hoping this is all a big misunderstanding, but we are a bit worried. Do you know if there is a better contact for this? Once again, anything you can do to help us is much appreciated.

Thank you!

Ariana

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